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Legislative Regulation Review Committee
State Capitol – Room 011
Hartford, CT 06106

RE: Limitations on Non-emergency Dental Services Provided to Medicaid Clients

Dear Senator Ayala and Representative Noujaim:

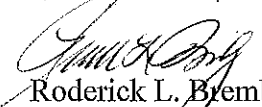
Pursuant to subsection (b) of § 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I am submitting for your approval a proposed regulation to establish limitations on the extent of non-emergency dental services provided to Medicaid clients twenty-one years of age and older.

The proposed regulation implements the provisions of Public Act 11-44, § 81 and Public Act 11-61, § 158, now codified at §17b-282d of the Connecticut General Statutes, which requires the department to modify the extent of non-emergency adult dental services under the Medicaid program. These changes are designed to reduce excessive dental procedures while maintaining services that will prevent further disease, decrease emergency department use and continue the maintenance of appropriate oral health for adult Medicaid clients.

Notice of the proposed regulation was published in the Connecticut Law Journal on August 2, 2011. A public hearing was held on August 31, 2011. On January 14, 2013, the Office of the Attorney General approved the proposed regulation as legally sufficient. A copy of the proposed regulation has been submitted to the Office of Fiscal Analysis.

If you or your staff require additional information or clarification concerning this proposed regulation, please contact Donna Balaski at 860-424-5342.

Sincerely,


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Enclosures 11-08

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